



Volunteer Services Center Newsletter



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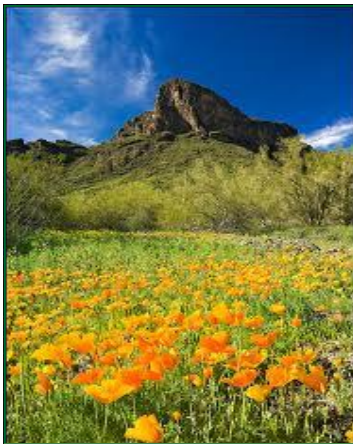
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Events of Interest:

- Volunteer monthly meetings are usually held the 4th Tues. from 6-8 p.m.
- National Volunteer Appreciation Week is April 6th to the 11th.
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner April 10th at the Property.
- Casa Grande Union H.S. graduation is May 20th - Vista Grande H.S. graduation is 22nd.



Spring Begins March 20th

Volunteer Meeting Minutes

Following are minutes from the recent monthly meetings of P.D. Volunteers:

The January meeting was held on January 28th at the P.D. Volunteer Coordinator Wendy Lloyd welcomed the volunteers in attendance and passed out copies of the following:

- 2014 Events and Training Calendar
- 2014 Crisis Response Unit Calendar
- Current Crisis Response Unit call-out list
- Public Safety Communications Codes
- Listing of Volunteers and their Victor Numbers

She then discussed the following upcoming events, training and other items:

- **CGRMC Cancer Run** - will be held on Sunday, February 9th at CAC.
- **Cowboy & Indian Days Parade** - will be held on Saturday, February 8th.
- **Chili Cook Off** - will be held on Saturday, March 1st in Rodeo Park. Volunteers will not participate at the Cactus Fly-In this year.

- **Ride For Warriors** - will be held on Saturday, March 8th & Sunday, March 9th.

- **Public Safety Day** - will be held on Saturday, March 15th at Target in the Promenade Mall. Volunteers need to man a booth to recruit P.D. volunteers and also do auto etching.

- **Driving Training** - will be held on Saturday, February 22nd & Saturday, March 22nd at the CAC Driving Track. (See February minutes - date changed to Tuesday March 4th.) Volunteers who drive volunteer vehicles need to take this training.

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- **February Volunteer Meeting** - will be held on the 25th at the P.D. **ALL** volunteers are expected to attend. An instructor from the Pinal Sheriff's Office will make a presentation.
- **Volunteer Appreciation Week** - is April 6th to the 11th. There will be a CGPD Volunteer Appreciation Dinner during the week. You will each receive an invitation when date and time are finalized.
- **Building Entrance Code** - The old P.D. building on Marshall St. has a new entrance code. See Wendy for the new code. It's expected that renovation will be completed by March 1st. After then our I.D. badges will activate entrance.
- **Volunteer Vehicles** - As the P.D. acquires new vehicles it is anticipated that volunteers will be receiving some of the old units. There will be future training on the use of the mobile computers in these vehicles as well as radio training.
- **Volunteer Shirts** - Additional shirts for volunteers are expected to arrive soon. If you need a shirt see Wendy.
- **Animal Control Bike Raffle** - Volunteer Michael Cornwall announced that following the bike raffle someone had donated an additional \$265 to the Animal Control and Adoption Center bringing the total raised to \$1,106.

The general meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m. to be followed by a PowerPoint presentation on the proper handling of speed and light trailers for volunteers who tow and set up these trailers.

The February monthly meeting of P.D. Volunteers was held on February 25th at the P.D. Volunteer Coordinator Wendy Lloyd welcomed the volunteers to this unusual team building training session and noted that a short general meeting will follow the training. She introduced Marsha Ramano who will conduct the training session,

Ms. Ramano, who works in the Victims Service Unit of the Pinal County Sheriff's Department (PCSD), then introduced her boss, Lt. John Ellsworth, Chief of the PCSD Criminal Investigation Bureau. Lt. Ellsworth made a short presentation on his background and the good work volunteers do helping law enforcement. Prior to coming to the PCSD he worked for and retired as a sergeant from the Casa Grande Police Department (CGPD). He has a daughter, which he later introduced, who is currently an officer with the CGPD.

Ms. Ramano then conducted the team building session which involved a number of exercises to help improve our relationships and job performance as volunteers with the CGPD. These included:

- The "Color Word Cluster - Personality Color Profile" exercise which ultimately, based on the score of a one page survey, divided the group into four colors (Gold, Orange, Blue, Green) with each color representing the predominate personality traits of that subgroup.
- The "Generational Work Styles" exercise which divided the group into four age subgroups: Traditionalists -those born before 1946; Boomers - those born from 1946 to 1964; Generation X - those born from 1965 to 1984 and the Generation Y or Millennials - those born since 1985. The instructor then discussed the various work styles of each age subgroup.
- This was followed by the group in a circle with all holding hands and the instructor holding a toy chick between her and the volunteer to her left. Whenever the circle was broken the chick would make a sound. This was to demonstrate the energy the group generated as a whole.
- The final exercise was the forming of a line. The instructor then asked a number of questions and depending on the answer volunteers would either step forward or backward. This demonstrated the diversity of the group which had come together as volunteers for the CGPD.

Following the training session Wendy conducted a short general meeting. She passed out the following:

- Law Enforcement Code Of Ethics
- CGPD Mission Statement, Vision Statement and Core Values
- Vehicle Damage, Abuse and Misuse Policy - she stressed that when a volunteer is involved in an incident in a volunteer vehicle they are to first get in contact with the duty supervisor either by radio or phone and then call her.
- Certification that we had received the above documents which we signed, dated and returned to her. She noted that she is revising the Volunteer Mission Statement and it will be distributed when completed.

She then discussed the following:

- **Decoy Vehicle** - help is needed to pick up the decoy vehicle in the evening - from 4:30 to 5 p.m. Also to put it out in certain areas this weekend.
- **Fingerprinting Schedule** - Finger printers need to see her to fill out the schedule.
- **COP's** - a district map was passed out to COP's and they were asked to keep close watch on the skate park from 3 - 9 p.m. Don't need to stay there just do extra patrolling. You can drive your vehicle on the sidewalk.
- **Ride For Warriors** - will be held on Saturday, March 8th & Sunday, March 9th. Volunteers are needed for parking lot patrol and traffic control from 10:30 a.m. till 11 p.m. on Saturday and from 11:00 a.m. till 5 p.m. on Sunday.
- **Driving Training** - will be held on Tuesday, March 4th at the CAC Driving Track. It be held from 9 a.m. till noon. Volunteers who drive volunteer vehicles need to take this training. The Command Post & food will be available.
- **Meetings** - The CRU meeting will be on March 25th and the next Volunteer meeting will be on March 18th - note that this month it is the 3rd Tuesday **not** the 4th.
- **Other Training** - Radar training is not required for COP's but available if you would like to take it. Fire Extinguisher training may

be offered in April and Communication training on new radios (2nd session) maybe in March.

- **Absent Sheet** - For those who go to other places in the summer remember to fill out an Absent Sheet and give to Wendy before you depart.
- **Reporting Time** - When reporting volunteer time do not include time spent driving from home. Record the time spent on your volunteer duties. If less then two hours in a 24 hour period record two hours. If greater then two hours round to a whole hour - don't include fractions.

The general meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Wendy's Notes

Whenever you have a change in your address, phone numbers, or email address please let me know so the data base can be revised.

Please see me if you are interested in working in any of the following areas:

- Animal Control and City Court need volunteer help.
- The Graffiti Abatement Program is looking for someone to supervise a graffiti abatement crew consisting of 2-4 adult probationers. It would be the volunteer's (crew supervisor) choice of how many people they are comfortable with on their crew.
- Senior Phone Patrol need volunteers for the PM shift.

Volunteers this is your newsletter. If you have material that you feel would be of benefit to other volunteers please provide it to me for the next edition.



Our volunteer organization can only be effective if we have citizens who are willing to step-up and volunteer their services for the betterment of the Department and the City of Casa Grande. The following volunteers have recently joined. We welcome them to the Casa Grande Police Department Volunteer Services Center:

Carol Brost, Ronald Dohrendorf, Thomas Eimermann, Charlene Kuhar, Janice Mellen, Nicholas Odom, Joe Rodriguez, Trina Sam, Gary Smith, and Katherine Wenz.



The following volunteers celebrate their birthday in March, April and May. Each one is wished a "Very Happy Birthday" and a heartfelt thanks for their volunteer efforts throughout the year.

March

Gerleen Treptow, Gwen Gibson, Helen Parks, Pamela Runner, Samantha Hiller, Thomas Eimermann, Sylvia VanGorp, Mary Dryden, Debbie, Martinez, Robert Michels and Mary Otteson.

April

Charlene Kuhar, Sharon Storrs, Alice Tipton, Richard Treptow, Michael Stewart, and Thomas Poor.

May

Rasha Abousalem, Nickolus Acosta, Bruce Bouldin, Diane Buehler, Michael Cornwall, Ronald Dohrendorf, Elizabeth Kozulla, Jacob Montoya, James O'Neil, Steve Shanafelt, Gary Smith, Daniel Sweeney, and Kathy Zak.

*(If we have missed your birthday,
please let Wendy know so we can update the data base)*